Amendments

In the Claims:

1. (Original) A slide ring seal assembly comprising

(a) a slide ring having an axially extending annular leg; said leg having radially outer and radially inner circumferential surfaces and a free axial end;

(b) a plurality of circumferentially spaced recesses provided in said leg at said free axial end thereof; each said recess extending from said radially outer surface to said radially inner surface;

(c) an annular sealing body surrounding said leg and being seated thereon; and

(d) a plurality of circumferentially spaced, radially inward-oriented extensions forming part of said annular sealing body and projecting into respective aid recesses provided in said leg for effecting a form-locking connection between said slide ring and said annular sealing body.

2. (Original) The slide ring seal assembly as defined in claim 1, further wherein at least one of said recesses continues with an axially extending undercut provided in said leg; and further wherein at least one of said radially inward-oriented extensions continues with an axial projection received by said undercut.

3. (Currently amended) The slide ring seal assembly as defined in claim 1, wherein said leg has, at said free ~~radial~~ axial end, on said radially outer surface, a circumferentially extending enlargement.

4. (New) The slide ring seal assembly according to claim 1, wherein said seal ring is generally L-shaped and has a radially extending slide sealing surface.

5. (New) The slide ring seal assembly according to claim 4, including a pair of said sealing rings having their respective slide sealing surfaces in contact, and a respective said sealing body for each of said sealing rings.

6. (New) The slide ring assembly according to claim 1, wherein said sealing ring is formed of metal and said sealing body is formed of a resilient material.

7. (New) The slide ring assembly according to claim 6, wherein said sealing body has a generally trapezoidal cross-section.